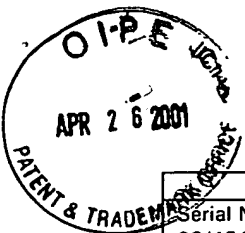


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| Inventor(s) Daniel L. Poole, et al. | | | |
| Title of Invention CLAMP DEVICE | | | |

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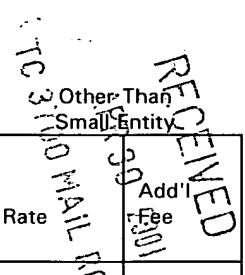
- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☐ Petition for a _____ month extension of time.
- ☒ No additional fee is required.
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| x \$9 = | |
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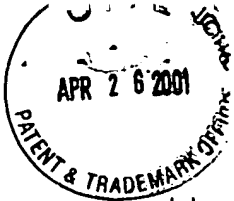
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**NOTIFICATION OF LOSS OF ENTITLEMENT
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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby notifies the Patent and Trademark Office that it is no longer entitled to status as a small entity, and that the claim for small entity status, set forth in the verified statement filed on November 30, 1999, is hereby withdrawn. The above



application was assigned to American Tool Companies, Inc. on August 11, 2000, Reel 011053, Frame 0035. Since the Assignment to American Tool Companies, Inc. all fees have been paid as a large entity.

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